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POLITICAL

1. KOREA

JAPAN RED CROSS JULY 31 TELEGRAPHED ACCEPTANCE NORTH KOREAN PROPOSAL EXTEND CALCUTTA REPATRIATION AGREEMENT ADDITIONAL YEAR (UNTIL NOV 12, 1962). ALSO PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED EXTENSION WOULD BE LAST AND PROGRAM MIGHT BE TERMINATED IN ADVANCE IF REPATRIATION PACE CONTINUED TO SLACKEN. NEW ROK MINISTER LEE DONG HWAN, WHO ARRIVED SAME DAY,

SHARPLY CRITICIZED GOJ DECISION AND PROTESTED HEAVY JAPANESE FISHING INSIDE RHEE LINE. HE AVOIDED COMMITMENT RE RESUMPTION ROK-JAPAN TALKS

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AND TURNED DOWN RENEWED GOJ REQUEST TO ESTABLISH SOME FORM REPRESENTATION IN SEOUL. PENDING DECISION ON TALKS, FONOFF SENDING NE ASIAN SECTION CHIEF TOSHIKAZU MAEDA TO SEOUL AUG 7-16 FOR FACT FINDING TRIP, WHICH WILL HOPEFULLY PAVE WAY FOR MORE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION. (CONFIDENTIAL) COMMENT: EXTENSION CALCUTTA AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED AFTER GOJ CONCLUDED THAT NUMBERS OF KOREANS STILL DESIRING TO LEAVE COULD NOT BE REPATRIATED WITHOUT ADDITIONAL PERIOD AND THAT QUIET, PROMPT EXTENSION WOULD NOT DESTROY PROSPECT ROK-JAPAN NEGOTIATIONS. IN VIEW PREVALENT JAPANESEWAIT-AND-SEE ATTITUDE TOWARD ROK DEVELOPMENTS GOJ DOES NOT INTEND PRESSURE ROK INTO RESUMED TALKS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

2. KONO PROPOSES PARTIAL DECONTROL OF RICE

AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY MINISTER ICHIRO KONO JULY 31 ANNOUNCED HE WOULD DRAFT PLAN WHICH WOULD OFFER RICE PRODUCERS ALTERNATIVE OF SELLING THROUGH OPEN MARKET OR THROUGH GOJ PURCHASING CHANNELS RESPONSIBLE FOR RICE RATIONING EVER SINCE WAR. PLAN WOULD HAVE ADVANTAGES OF REDUCING GOJ'S DEFICIT IN RATIONING AGENCY AND OF LEGALIZING SO-CALLED "BLACK-MARKET" OR OPEN SALES OF RICE. COMMENT ON PROPOSAL HAS BEEN MIXED AND TENTATIV, WITH MANY CONSUMERS IN FAVOR, BUT SOCIALISTS AND STRONG ELEMENTS IN LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) OPPOSED OR DUBIOUS ON GROUNDS THIS MIGHT BE FIRST STEP TOWARD END OF RATIONING AND THAT IF PLAN EXTENDED FURTHER FARMERS MIGHT BE DEPRIVED OF GUARANTEED MARKET-SUPPORT PRICES FOR LOWER GRADE RICE. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: WITH RICE IN PLENTIFUL SUPPLY, END TO RATIONING HAS BEEN

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TALKED ABOUT VAGUELY FOR SOME YEARS, BUT KONO, WITH REPUTATION FOR BOLD AND PROVOCATIVE IDEAS, AS WELL AS FOR POLITICAL MANEUVERING IN LDP, HAS STEPPED IN WHERE OTHERS HAVE FEARED TO TREAD. SCHEME, IF ACCEPTED, COULD, DEPENDING ON ITS IMPLEMENTATION, ENHANCE KONO'S POLITICAL FORTUNES, BUT DEBATE ALONG FACTIONAL LINES WITHIN LDP MAY DEVELOP, INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER EISAKU SATO HAVING ALREADY EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

3. DOCTORS' DISPUTE SETTLED

THREATENED DOCTORS' RESIGNATIONS ON AUGUST 1 FROM NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE SYSTEM AVERTED JULY 31 (A-127) WHEN MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS AND TOP LDP LEADERS AGREED TO CREATE NEW 20-MAN COMMITTEE (INCLUDING 10 DOCTORS) TO STUDY OVERHAUL OF SYSTEM, AND TO MAKE BASIC RECOMMENDATIONS RE HIGHER FEES. DISPUTE WAS FIRST MAJOR DOMESTIC ISSUE FOR NEW IKEDA CABINET AND DOMINATED FRONT PAGES FOR WEEK PRIOR TO SETTLEMENT. (UNCLAS) COMMENT: COMPROMISE REMOVES EMBARRASSING AND POTENTIALLY DISRUPTIVE ISSUE FROM LIST OF GOJ PROBLEMS AND SHOULD ENABLE CHANGES TO BE MADE IN INSURANCE SYSTEM IN ORDERLY MANNER. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

4. JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY (JCP) 8TH CONGRESS (WEEK 30, ITEM 1)

PARTY CONGRESS CLOSED JULY 31, AFTER APPROVING "UNANIMOUSLY" ALL REPORTS SUBMITTED BY PARTY HEADQUARTERS AND SELECTING NEW OFFICERS.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE ENLARGED FROM 31 MEMBERS TO 60 (26 MEMBERS OF PREVIOUS CENTRAL COMMITTEE WERE HELD OVER; OTHER 5 WERE ANTI-MAINSTREAMERS).

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ANTI-MAINSTREAM WAS PERMITTED NO VOICE DURING CONGRESS BUT A FEW

7 FORMER

HRNTS TOOK FLOOR TO RECENT.

PRESS COMMENT STRONGLY CRITICIZED PARTY FOR "SECRECY" AND SUP-
PRESSION OF MINORITY VIEWS.

MEANWHILE, KASUGA AND SIX OTHER ANTI-MAINSTREAM LEADERS EXPELLED
RECENTLY FROM PARTY ISSUED OPEN APPEAL AUGUST 2 FOR SUPPORT FOR NEW
- ORGANIZATION THEY WERE FORMING "TO OPEN WAY FOR SOCIALISM IN JAPAN."
(UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: DESPITE DISPLAY AT CONGRESS OF WHAT AKAHATA CALLED "IRON
UNITY," REPERCUSSIONS OF FACTIONAL STRIFE LIKELY TO BE HEARD FOR SOME
TIME. DOUBTFUL THAT ANTI-MAINSTREAM CAN BUILD UP STRONG RIVAL ORGANI-
ZATION, BUT PARTY HEADQUARTER WILL BE KEPT BUSY CONTERING ITS DIS-
RUPTIVE EFFECTS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

5. ANTI-NUCLEAR BOMB MOVEMENT

GENSUIKYO (JAPAN COULCIL AGAINST A- AND H-BOMBS), HAVING EARNED
PUBLIC DISESTEEM FOR BLATANT FOLLOING OF COMMUNIST LINE IN PAST YEARS,
FACES PARTICULAR DIFFICULTIES IN PREPARING FOR ITS ANNUAL "WORLD
CONFERENCE AGAINST NUCLEAR BOMBS" SCHEDULED OPEN IN TOKYO AUGUST 9.

- JSP, WHICH HAS CRITICIZED GENSHUIKYO FOR DIVERTING ENERGIES TO EXTRANEIOUS
POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS, THIS WEEK EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT PROGRAM
GENSHUIKYO WILL PRESENT TO CONFERENCE, ON GROUNDS PART OF IT IS "HIGHLY
- COLORED BY COMMUNIST PARTY THINKING." AT SAME TIME, NEW "MODERATE"

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GROUP HAS RCENTLY BEEN FORMED WITH ZENRO AND DSP SUPPORT AS RIVAL TO
- GENSUIKYO. DIRECTORS OF "2ND GENSUIKYO," WHO CHARGE THAT GENSUIKYO
HAS LOST SIGHT OF HUMANITARIAN GOALS IN PURSUIT OF POLITICAL OBJECTIVES,
HELD FIRST "NATIONAL MEETING" JULY 30 TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR THEIR OWN
RALLY IN TOKYO AUGUST 15. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: PROCEEDINGS OF "WORLD CONFERENCE" WILL DEMONSTRATE
DEGREE OF JSP'S SUCCESS IN ITS EFFORTS TO LOOSEN COMMUNIST GRIP UPON
- GENSUIKYO. RIVAL GROUP'S RALLY NOT EXPECTED TO BE VERY LARGE. (OFFICIAL
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6. REACTION TO CPSU DRAFT PROGRAM

JAPANESE MEDIA CARRIED LENGTHY ACCOUNTS OF CPSU DRAFT PROGRAM
ANNOUNCED IN MOSCOW, ALONG WITH WIDE RANGE OF CRITICAL COMMENT. LDP
OFFICIAL SUGGESTED ANNOUNCEMENT DESIGND TO COUNTER EFFECTS OF PRESIDENT
KENNEDY'S SPEECH LAST WEEK, BUT PREDICTED IT WOULD HAVE LITTLE IMPACT
ON JAPAN. JSP SEC GEN EDA SAID THAT "IF SOVUNION REALLY AND POSITIVELY
CALLS FOR PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE, IT SHOULD TAKE POSITIVE STAND TO
NEGOTIATE ON BERLIN PROBLEM." BOTH JSP AND DSP OFFICIALS ALSO EXPRESSED
- SKEPTICISM ABOUT SOVIET REALIZATION OF ECONOMIC GOALS. EDITORIALISTS
SIMILARLY VOICED DOUBT THAT PROBRAM SIGNIFIES ANY EASING IN SOVIET
ATTITUDES TOWARD WEST. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: NONE.

- NAVY

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7. NEW MSDF SHIPS

DESTROYER ESCORT "ISUZU", EQUIPPED WITH REMOTE CONTROL ENGINES, COMMISSIONED AT TAMANO JULY 29, AND 750-TON SUBMARINE "HAYASHIO" LAUNCHED AT KOBE JULY 31. KAZUO SASAMOTO, NEW PARLIAMENTARY VICE MINISTER, JDA, OFFICIATED AT BOTH CEREMONIES. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: ISUZU, ASSIGNED TO MAIZURU, WILL MAKE UP NEW DIVISION WITH SISTER SHIP MOGAMI, SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION IN OCTOBER 1961.

THESE WILL BE FIRST MODERN WARSHIPS ASSIGNED TO SEA OF JAPAN. HAYASHIO IS SECOND POSTWAR SUBMARINE BUILT IN JAPAN AND FIRST WITH "JOYSTICK" CONTROL. (CONFIDENTIAL)

ARMY

8. REASSIGNMENT GSDF GENERAL OFFICERS (WEEKA 30, ITEM 5)

PUBLICATION FULL LIST REASSIGNMENTS REPORTED REF WEEKA INDICATES THAT FOR FIRST TIME IN NUMBER YEARS, ALL CHIEFS OF G-STAFF DIVISIONS FILLED BY MILITARY ACADEMY GRADUATES. IN ADDITION, 7 "NON-PROFESSIONAL" MAJOR GENERALS UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR VICE-LIEUTENANT GENERAL SLOTS BYPASSED BY 4 MAJOR GENERALS JUNIOR IN RANK BUT MILITARY ACADEMY GRADUATES. (CONFIDENTIAL)

COMMENT: TRANSFERS SHOW DECIDED STRENGTHENING OF "PROFESSIONAL OFFICER" POSITIONS (THOSE WITH PREWAR EXPERIENCE) VIS-A-VIS "NON-PROFESSIONAL" OFFICERS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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1. MILOYAN VISIT (WEEKA 30, ITEM 2; EMBTEL 481)
FONOFFNHAS ANNOUNCED SCHEDULE FOR MIKOYAN VISIT (CHANGED
TO AUG, 14-22) MUCH ALOUT LINES REPORTED REF WEEKA, WITH
ADDITION OF CISIT TO HIROSHIMA AUG. 20. EMBASSY INFORMED
THAT FONOFF REQUESTED SOVEMBASSY TO HAVE MIKOYAN AVOID PUBLIC
CRITICISM OF GOJ, AND THAT WHILE SOVIETS ANNOYED, GOJ BELIEVES

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MIKOYAN WILL AT LEAST AVOID MILITANT ATTACKS. SUPPLEMENTING

OFFICIAL PLANS FOR VISIT, "NATIONAL WELCOME COMMITTEE"

(INCLUDING TOKYO GOVERNOR AZUMA, LEADERS OF LEFT-WING PARTIES,

AND REPRESENTATIVES SOVIET TRADE PROMOTION ORGANIZATIONS)

FORMED TO PLAN WELCOME AT AIRPORT, JAPAN-SOVIET SOCIETY

RECEPTION, AND MASS RALLY EVENING AUGUST 21.

UNUSUAL SECURITY PRECAUTIONS WILL BE TAKEN

INVOLVING 30,000 UNIFORMED POLICE AND PLAIN-CLOTHESMEN. (LIMITED
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COMMENT: WITH MIKOYAN VISIT ONLY THREE DAYS OFF, BUILD-UP

IN PRESS HAS BEEN RELATIVELY SUBDUED, BUT MUCH CONCERN

EXPRESSED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF UNPREDICTABLE VIOLENT ACTIONS

BY INDIVIDUAL EXTREME-RIGHTISTS. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

2. SOHYO CONVENTION

SOHYO AUGUST 6 CLOSES FIVE - DAY CONVENTION MARKED THROUGHOUT

BY DEBATE ON ISSUES OF POLITICAL - PARTY SUPPORT (EMBDES 75),

AND PLATFORM'S EMPHASIS ON PRINCIPLE OF "ECONOMIC DEMANDS

FIRST" (EMBDES 1282); MAINSTREAM LEADERSHIP WON DECISIVELY

OVER IDO-COMMUNIST FACTIONS. ILANK CALLING FOR "SUPPORT OF

JSP, AND COOPERATION WITH REFORMIST PARTY FOR CASE-BY-CASE

BASIS" ADOPTED 427 TO 158, WHILE ACTION POLICY ADOPTED

463 TO 21, WITH SUPPORT 32 OUT OF 57 UNIONS. MAINSTREAM'S

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- SLATE OF OFFICERS UNOPPOSED AND STRENGTH ON CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ENLARGED TO 20 OUT OF 25 MEMBERS (COMPARED WITH 20 OUT OF 28 LAST YEAR). KAORU OTA AND AKIRA IWAI RE-ELECTED CHAIRMAN AND SECGEN. (UNCLASSIFIED)
- COMMENT: DEFEAT OF PRO-COMMUNISTS BY MAINSTREAM LEADERS ENABLES SOHYO TO PMBE AS MODERATE ORGANIZATION BUT DOES NOT REPRESENT REJECTION BY SOHYO OF BASIC IDEOLOGY. DESTRUCTION OF "MONOPOLY CAPITALISM" REMAINS ULTIMATE GOAL WITH "STRUGGLE" THE KEYNOTE. FOR TIME BEING PRIMARY EMPHASIS IS ON ECONOMPR GOAL OF "STEEP" WAGE INCREASES BUT SOHYO REMAINS READY TO FIVERT ENERGIES TO POLITICAL QUESTIONS AND JOIN HANDS WITH JCP WHENEVER ISSUE APOCARS TO THEM TO BE OF SUFFICIENT IMPORTANCE TO WAR NHHALL-OUT OPPOSITION . (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)
3. ATSUKAWA CASE DEDYNDANTS ACQUITTED (WEEKA 33, AUG14, 1959,

ITEM 3; A-148)

- SENDAI HIGHER COURT AUGUST 8 ACQUITTED ALL 17 DEFENDANTS IN MATSUKAWA CASE, INVOLVING TRAIN DERAILMENT IN 1949 DURING PERIOD INTENSE LABOR SLIFE, WITH RESULTING DEATH ENGINEER AND TWO TRAINMEN. ALTHOUGH DEFENDANTS DECLARED GUILTY AND SOME GIVEN DEATH SENTENCES IN FIRST TWO TRIALS (1950 AND 1953), SUPREME COURT IN AUGUST 1959 ORDERED RETRIA ON GROUNDS INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE (SEE REF). COMMUNIST PARTY, SOHYO, SOCIALIST PARTY,
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7 AND OTHER LEFT-WING GROUPS, WHICH HAD CONDUCTED PROLONGED PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN IN FAVOR OF ACQUITTAL WELCOMED DECISION, AND SEVERAL THOUSAND REPRESENTATIVES THESE GROUPS DEMONSTRATED OUTSIDE SENDAI COURT. WIDE PUBLIC INTEREST INDICATED BY FULL MEDIA COVERAGE. EDITORIALS APPLAUDED THOROUGH REVIEW BY COURT, BUT MORE SOBER COMMENT CRITICIZED OUTSIDE PRESSURE BY LEFTISTS AND POINTED TO FACT CULPRITS STILL AT LARGE. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: REGARDLESS OF WHETHER PROSECUTION APPEALS JN MATSUKAWA CASE HAS ENDED FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES. WHILE LEFTISTS GLOATING OVER "VICTORY", NO INDICATION THAT GENERAL PUBLIC GIVES THEM CREDIT FOR VERDICT OR ACCEPTS THEIR CONTENTION CASE WAS "FRAMEUP" FROM START. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

4. GENSUIKYO CONVENTION (WEEK 31, ITEM 5; EMBTEL 478) PREPARATORY MEETINGS FOR "7TH WORLD CONFERENCE AGAINST A-AND H-BOMBS", NOQ OPENED AUGUST 9, ATTENDED BY 250 DELEGATES (INCLUDING 88 FOREIGN DELEGATES FROM 25 COUNTRIES). CHAIRMAN KAORU YASUI OF GENSUIKYO (JAPAN ANTI-A AND H-BOMB COUNCIL) ACCUSED JAPAN OF "HURRYING ON ROAD TO NUCLEAR ARMAMENT", AND IGNORING "NEW ERA FOR MANKIND" SIGNALLED BY MANNED SATELLITE FLIGHTS, WHILE DR. CORLISS LAMONT (US) SAID US "HAS ADOPTED DANGEROUS AGGRESSIVE ATTITUDE IN FOREIGN RELATIONS". MESSAGES

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- RECEIVED FROM KHRUSHCHEGUN KUO MQ-JO, ETC. PRAISING GENSUIKYO AND CALLING FOR "COMPLETE DISARMAMENT". CHAIRMAN US DELEGATION (RUSSELL NIXON IF UNITED ELECTRICAL WORKERS) HELD PRZSS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE THAT DR. EARLE REYNOLDS HAD BEEN DROPPED FROM US DELEGATION BECAUSE HE HAD SUPPORTED "SECOND GENSUIKYO" SPONSORED BY DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS AND ZENRO, AND - HAD CRITICIZED GENSUIKYO'S PRO-COMMUNIST POLICIES. "SECOND GENSUIKYO" HAS MUSTERED IMPRESSIVE ARRAY OF MODERATE AUTHORS, PROFESSORS, ETC., IN SUPPORT OF SEPARATE RALLY AUG. 15.

- ANNIVERSARIES OF FIRST A-BOMBING QUIETLY OBSERVED AUG. 6 AND IN HONOLULU AND NAGASAKI WITH APOLITICAL CEREMONIES UNDER MUNICIPAL AUSPICES, ATTENDED BY SEVERAL THOUSAND. (UNCLASSIFIED) COMMENT: NO INDICATION FROM FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS OF CONFERENCE THAT JSP AND SOHYO, WHICH HAVE ANNOUNCED INTENTION TO PREVENT INJECTION OF POLITICAL ISSUES UNRELATED TO BAN ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS (SEE REF) WILL BE SUCCESSFUL. DOUBTFUL, HOWEVER, WHETHER THEY WILL WITHDRAW FROM GENSUIKYO IF THEY DO NOT HAVE THEIR WAY. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) PSYCHOLOGICAL.

5. VOSTOK II (EMBTELS 433, 462)

VOSTOK II DOMINATED JAPANESE MEDIA AUGUST 7-8. PRINCIPAL

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REACTIONS, REFLECTED IN EDITORIALS, WERE ADMIRATION FOR GREAT SCIENTIFIC FEAT(AND REINFORCEMENT IMPRESSION USSR HASPONG LEAD ON US IN SPACE. THESE THEMES MINGLED WITH HOPE THAT ACHIEVEMENT WOULD NOT BE USED FG MILITARY PURPOSES, AND THAT RUSSIANS WOULD MAKE PULIC SCIENTIFIC DATA RESULTING FROM FLIGHT. FONOFF CMXMED THA TIMING OFFLIGHT SEEMED TO HAVE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS BUT HW IT WOULD NOTUAFFECT WESTERN STAND ON BERLIN. (UNCLASSIKIED)

COMMENT: WHILE OPINIONS VARIED AS TO MILITARY SIGNIKICANCE OF FLIGHT, GENERAL PUBLIC APPEARED STRONGLY IMPRESSED BY ABILITY BRING VEHICLE DOWN ON TARGET. TO EXTENT FLIGHT REGARDED AS FLEXING OF MUSCLES BY USSR IT HAS CAUSED CERTAIN MOUNT OF UNEASINESS AMONG JAPANESE, WHICH WILL REINFORCE THEIR PREFERENCE FOR NEGOTIATED SOLUTIONS. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) MILITARY

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6. NAKAYAMA REPLACES IHARA AS CHIEF OF MARITIME STAFF (CMSO

GJUAUG. 10 APPROVED APPOINTMENT SADAYOSHI NAKAYAMA AS

CMSO (TOP MSDF POST), REPLACING VADM MITSUGU IHARA, WO WILL

RETIRE ON AUG.5. VADM SUGURU SUZUKI WILL JLIEVE VADM

NAKAYAMA AS COMMANDER SELF DEFENSE FLEET. (UNCLASSIKIED)

COMMENT: VACM NAKAYAMA, LIKE VADM IHARA, EXTREMELY

WELL-DISPOSED TOWARFUS AND PR-WEST IN HIS ORIENTATION.

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1. MIKROYAN VISIT (WEEKA 32, ITEM 1).

HALFWAY THROUGH EIGHT-DAY VISIT, SOVIET DEPUTY PREMIER MIKROYAN CONTINUED TO IMPRESS JAPANESE WITH HIS ENERGY AND SALESMANSHIP. SINCE ARRIVAL AUGUST 14 HE FOUND TIME, IN BETWEEN COURTESY CALLS ON JAPANESE OFFICIALS, RECEPTIONS, APPEARANCES AT SOVIET TRADE FAIR AND OTHER FORMAL OCCASIONS, FOR SIGHTSEEING EXPEDITIONS TO GINZA,

DISTRIBUTION OF SPUTNIK BADGES TO SCHOOL CHILDREN, AND NUMBER OF UNOFFICIAL CONTACTS WITH JAPANESE. THESE CONTACTS, INCLUDING

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COURTESY CALL ON WIDOW OF FORMER PRIMIN HATOYAMA AND LONG MEETINGS WITH CONSERVATIVE BUSINESSMEN, APPARENTLY DESIGNED TO MAKE POINT THAT CORDIAL AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONS BETWEEN CONSERVATIVE JAPAN AND SOVIETS ARE POSSIBLE IF ONLY JAPAN WILL BE REASONABLE. HIGHLIGHT OF VISIT SO FAR PROVIDED BY MIKOYAN'S TALK WITH PRIMIN IKEDA, DELIVERY OF "GOOD WILL" MESSAGE FROM KHRUSHCHEV, WHICH REPRESENTED JAPAN'S ALLIANCE WITH US AS OBSTACLE TO NORMALIZATION RELATIONS WITH SOVIETS, THREATENED THAT IF WAR CAME JAPAN WOULD BE INVOLVED BY VIRTUE OF SECURITY TREATY. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: CRUDITY OF THIS MIXTURE OF THREATS AND INDUCEMENTS TOO MUCH EVEN FOR POLITE JAPANESE TO STOMACH. IKEDA MADE COURTEOUS BUT DEADPAN REPLY WHICH SHOWED NO TENDENCY TO BACK DOWN (FONOFF WILL PREPARE WRITTEN ANSWER TO KHRUSHCHEV). UNOFFICIAL COMMENT BY FONOFF CRITICIZED "SOVIET INTERFERENCE IN JAPAN'S DOMESTIC AFFAIRS," CHARGE WHICH ECHOED IN PRESS AND EVEN IN COMMENT BY DSP, AND LDP SECGEN ISSUED SHARPLY CRITICAL STATEMENT. LEADING DAILIEE UNWONTEDLY SPOKE UP ON BEHALF SECURITY TREATY, PICKED OUT FALLACIES IN SOVIET ARGUMENT NOT YET CLEAR TO WHAT EXTENT OVERALL PUBLIC IMPACT OF VISIT WILL BE AFFECTED, BUT SOVIETS HAVE CERTAINLY NOT IMPROVED THEIR STANDING IN JAPAN BY THIS EXCHANGE. (CONFIDENTIAL)

2. GENSUIKYO CONVENTION (WEEKA 32, ITEM4, EMBTEL 522)

"SEVENTH WORLD CONFERENCE AGAINST A- AND H-BOMBS," WHICH ENDED AUGUST 14, CHARACTERIZED THROUGHOUT BY CONFLICT BETWEEN PRO-COMUNIST

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FACTION (INCLUDING MAJORITY OF DELEGATES), WHICH INSISTED ON ADDING TO AGENDA OPPOSITION TO IMPERIALISM, COLONIALISM, AND MILITARY ALLIANCES, AND MINORITY GROUP LED BY JSP AND SOHYO, WHICH ARGUED THAT SCOPE OF CONFERENCE BE CONFINED TO MATTERS DIRECTLY RELATED TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS. ALTHOUGH LATTER GROUP ACCOUNTS FOR BULK OF GENSUIKYO'S (JAPAN ANTI-A AND H-BOMB COUNCIL) MEMBERSHIP, IT WAS HEAVILY OUTVOTED ON DRAFTING COMMITTEES, WHICH AMENDED CONFERENCE DECLARATION AND RESOLUTIONS TO INCLUDE FREQUENT REFERENCES TO "AMERICAN IMPERIALISM" AS PRICIPAL DANGER TO WORLD PEACE. FOLLOWING CONFERENCE, MINORITY GROUP ISSUED STATEMENT EXPRESSING LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN GENSUIKYO'S LEADERSHIP AND PLEDGING EFFORTS TO RECTIFY MANAGEMENT OF ORGANIZATION.

"SECOND GENSUIKYO" SPONSORED BY DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY AND ZENRO, HELD RALLY AUGUST 15 AT WHICH SPEAKERS, LED BY PRESIDENT MASATOSHI MATSUBSHITA OF RIKKYO UNIVERSITY, EMPHASIZED NEED FOR STRONG MOVEMENT AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREE FROM POLITICAL BIAS. THANKS IN PART TO WIDE PUBLICITY GIVEN "FIRST GENSUIKYO" CONTROVERSY, DSP-ZENRO RALLY RECEIVED FAVORABLE PRESS ATTENTION. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: MODERATE STAND BY JSP AND SOHYO PROBABLY MOTIVATED IN PART BY DESIRE TO TAKE WIND OUT OF SAILS OF "SECOND GENSUIKYO" AND IN PART BY GENUINE CONCERN ABOUT COMMUNIST INROADS INTO ORGANIZATION, BUT ALSO REFLECTS AWARENESS THAT PUBLIC OPINION HAS SHOWN INCREASING DISSATISFACTION WITH BLATANTLY PRO-COMMUNIST LINE OF RECENT WORLD

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3. JAPAN-KOREA

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ROK CHAIRMAN PAK'S AUGUST 12 ANNOUNCEMENT, FONOFF ISSUED PUBLIC STATEMENT WELCOMING ACTION AND HOPING FOR FURTHER PROGRESS TOWARD ROK STABILITY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT. FONOFF INFORMALLY COMMENTED TO PRESS THAT UNEXPECTEDLY LONG PERIOD OF MILITARY RULE SHOULD BE VIEWED IN LIGHT MITIGATING FACTORS. ALSO AFFIRMED GOJ WILLINGNESS ACCEPT ROK PROPOSAL RESUME NEGOTIATIONS. EDITORIALS GENERALLY FOLLOWED FONOFF LEAD. FONOFF NEASIAN SECTION CHIEF TOSHIKAZU MAEDA ON RETURN AUGUST 16 FROM 10-DAY FACT FINDING VISIT TO ROK EXPRESSED OPINION THAT ROK DEVELOPMENTS SEEMED TO BE TENDING TOWARD STABILITY, AND ROK PEOPLE, WHILE UNENTHUSIASTIC, GENERALLY APPEARED SUPPORT JUNTA OBJECTIVES, (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: ALTHOUGH FONOFF EXPECTS RESUMPTION ROK-JAPAN TALKS IN RELATIVELY NEAR FUTURE, THEY PRIVATELY EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER

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4. BERLIN REACTION

JAPANESE MEDIA CONTINUED GIVE HEAVY NEWS AND PICTURE COVERAGE TO COMMUNIST SEALING OF BERLIN BORDER. EXTENSIVE COMMENT DESCRIBED ACTION AS CLEARCUT VIOLATION FOUR POWER AGREEMENTS DESIGNED TO HALT REFUGEE FLOW AND TO UNDERScore SOVIET DETERMINATION CONCLUDE SEPARATE PEACE TREATY. EDITORIALS REGARD CRUDE MEASURES AS SETBACK FOR COMMUNISTS IN EAST-WEST PSYCHOLOGICAL CONFLICT, REGARDLESS OF EVENTUAL OUTCOME BERLIN CRISIS. ANXIETY ABOUT INFLAMMATION BERLIN CRISIS PROMPTED COMMENT CALLING FOR PRUDENCE ON PART OF EAST GERMAN PEOPLE TO AVOID PROVOKING SOVIETS INTO FURTHER ACTS OF SUPPRESSION. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

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5. SOVIET TRADE FAIR

HJSOV. TRADE FAIR OPENED BY MIKOYAN AUGUST 15 MAINLY DEVOTED
 DISPLAYS USSROM INDUSTRIAL AND SPACE PROGRESS WITH SOME EXHIBITS
 MACHINERY, RAW MATERIALS FOR UGLE. ATTENDANCE SO FAR POOR, AND
 PRESS COMMENT UNENTHUSIASTIC- "SOV PRODUCTS OF BETTER THAN
 JAPANESE," AND STRONGLY MADE BUT CRUDE." (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: PROPAGANDA EFFECT PROBABLY NOT SIGNIFICANT BUT FACT
 MAY CONTRIBUTE SLIGHTLY TO JAPANESE INTEREST FAST GROWING TRADE
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6. US-JAPAN COTTON TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS

BILATERAL TALKS OPENED AUGUST 22 IN TOKYO LOOKING TO AGREEMENT
 COVERING JAPAN'S 1962 EXPORTS TO US OF COTTON TEXTILES PURSUANT OF
 DRAFT MULTILATERAL TEXTILE AGU KOPT REACHED IN GENEVA LAST MONTH.
 JAPANESE SO FAR HAVE STRESSED 1) NECESSITY THEIR HAVING EQUAL TREAT-
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4. BERLIN REACTION (WEEK 33, ITEM 4)

JAPANESE MEDIA HAVE MAINTAINED HEAVY COVERAGE OF BERLIN DEVELOPMENTS, USING ACCOUNTS BY WESTERN NEWS AGENCIES AND JAPANESE CORRESPONDENTS EXCLUSIVELY IN PRESENTING PICTURE FAVORABLE TO WEST. COMMENT REMAINS CIRCUMSTANTIAL OF COMMUNIST SEALING OF BORDER; DESIRE OF REFUGEES TO ESCAPE TO WEST WIDELY INTERPRETED AS ILLUSTRATING "SUFFOCATING ATMOSPHERE UNDER TOTALITARIANISM" AND FAILURE OF EAST GERMAN REGIME. SOME EDITORIALS URGED WEST TO MAINTAIN COOL-HEADED APPROACH TO SITUATION, WHILE EXPRESSING HOPE FOR NEGOTIATIONS BEFORE TENSIONS MOUNT TO EXPLOSION POINT. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: NONE.

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5. SOVUET TRADE FAIRNX

HJSOV TRADE FAIR OPENED BY MIKOYAN AUGUST 15 MAINLY DEVOTED DISPLAYS USSROM INDUSTRIAL AND SPACE PROGRESS WITH SOME EXHIBITS MACHINERY, RAW MATERIALS FOR UGLE. ATTENDANCE SO FAR POOR, AND PRESS COMMENT UNENTHUSIASTIC- "SOV PRODUCTS OF BETTER THAN JAPANES," AND STRONGLY MADE BUT CRUDE." (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: PROPAGANDA EFFECT PROBABLY NOT SIGNIFICANT BUT FACT MAY CONTRIBUTE SLIGHTLY TO JAPANES INTEREST FAST GROWING TRADE WITH USSR (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

6. US-JAPAN COTTON TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS

BILATERAL TALKS OPENED AUGUST 22 IN TOKYO LOOKING TO AGREEMENT COVERING JAPAN'S 1962 EXPORTS TO US OF COTTON TEXTILES PURSUANT OF DRAFT MULTILATERAL TEXTILE AGU KOPT REACHED IN GENEVA LAST MONTH. JAPANESE SO FAR HAVE STRESSED 1) NECESSITY THEIR HAVING EQUAL TREATMENT WITH ALL OTHER EXPORTERS COTTON TEXTILES TO US; 2) THEIR CLAIM TO SPECIAL CONSIDERATION BECAUSE OF SELF-RESTRAINT EXERCISED PAST FOUR YEARS UNDER QUOTA AGREEMENT AND 3) DEPENDENCE OF SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME US-JAPAN NEGOTIATIONS ON SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENT COVERING HONG KONG'S EXPORT TO US. JAPANESE HAVE EXPRESSED DOUBT US PROPOSAL FOR 5 PER CENTIEXPORT INCREASE IN FRAMEWORK OF 35 TEXTILE CATEGORIES CAN BE CALLED FAVORABLE TREATMENT, ALLEGING US PORPOSAL

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☒ IN SOME RESPECTS MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN GENEVA AGREEMENT. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: NONE.

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